

# UNITED STATES CONTINUING UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION

under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

Atty. Docket No. 01107.00004

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Enclosed herewith is a continuing patent application and the following papers:

First Named Inventor (or application identifier): Nicholas Nicolaides

Title of Invention: A METHOD FOR GENERATING HYPERMUTABLE ORGANISMS

- ☐ Continuation  
☒ Divisional  
☐ Continuation-in-Part

of prior application No. 09/059,461, filed April 14, 1998

1. ☒ Specification 43 pages (including specification, claims, abstract) / 59 claims (5 independent)
2. ☒ Declaration/Power of Attorney:
  - ☒ Copy from Prior Application (for continuation or divisional application)
  - ☐ Newly Executed Declaration (for CIP application)
  - ☐ Deferred under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f)
  - ☐ Deletion of Inventor(s) - Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
  - ☒ Incorporation by Reference - The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein
3. ☒ 6 Distinct sheets of ☒ Formal ☐ Informal Drawings
4. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
5. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement
  - ☒ Form 1449
  - ☐ A copy of each cited prior art reference
6. ☒ Assignment
  - ☐ Assignment with Cover Sheet attached
  - ☒ Assignment filed in prior application. Application assigned to: **The Johns Hopkins University**
7. ☐ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon the following application(s):

jc571 U.S. PTO  
09/558149  
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8. ☐ Priority document(s)
9. ☒ Small Entity Statement
- ☒ Small Entity Statement was filed in prior application, Small Entity Status is still proper and desired
- ☐ is attached
- ☐ is no longer claimed
10. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
11. ☒ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
- ☐ Computer Readable Copy
- ☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
- ☒ Statement verifying identity of above copies

12. Calculation of Fees:

FEES FOR	EXCESS CLAIMS	FEE	AMOUNT DUE
Basic Filing Fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a))			\$690.00
Total Claims in Excess of 20 (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c))	0	18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims in Excess of 3 (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b))	0	78.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d))	0	260.00	\$0.00
Subtotal - Filing Fee Due			\$690.00
MULTIPLY BY			
Reduction by 50%, if Small Entity (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)	0.50		\$345.00
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE DUE</b>			<b>\$345.00</b>
Assignment Recordation Fee (if applicable) (37 C.F.R. § 1.21(h))	0	40.00	\$0.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL DUE</b>			<b>\$345.00</b>

13. PAYMENT is:

- ☒ included in the amount of the GRAND TOTAL by our enclosed check. A general authorization under 37 C.F.R. § 1.25(b), second sentence, is hereby given to credit or debit our Deposit Account No. 19-0733 for the instant filing and for any other fees during the pendency of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18
- ☐ not included, but deferred under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f).

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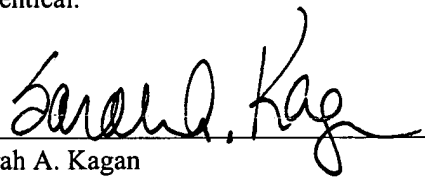
14. All correspondence for the attached application should be directed to:

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15. Other: Please make a computer readable form for examination of this application from the computer readable form submitted in parent application Serial No. 09/059,461. The sequence content of the computer readable form and the paper copy in the application are believed to be identical.

Date: April 25, 2000

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